

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta GA 30333 January 14, 2019

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## Dear Mr. Freudenthal:

This letter is regarding to your Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of January 8, 2019, assigned #19-00320-FOIA, for:

- 1. A copy of any emails sent or received between 01/01/2016 and 01/01/2018 by Dr Pierre Rollin with the keyword "Guinea" and "sample" in the subject line or body of the email.
- 2. A copy of any emails sent or received between 01/01/2016 and 01/01/2018 by Dr Pierre Rollin with the keyword "Sandia" in the subject line or body of the email.
- 3. A copy of any emails sent or received between 01/01/2016 and 01/01/2018 by Dr Pierre Rollin with the keyword "Phoenix" in the subject line or body of the email.
- 4. A copy of any emails sent or received between 01/01/2014 and today by Dr Pierre Rollin to/from any Sandia employees, as defined by their email domain: @sandia.gov.

This letter is to notify you that your request is overly broad and to seek your clarification regarding the subject matter of the records you seek. The FOIA allows the public to request access to "reasonably described" existing agency records (subject to any applicable FOIA exemptions to disclosure). This means you must describe the category of records you are seeking or the actual document(s), and provide sufficient details to permit a search with reasonable effort, utilizing existing indices and search tools.

Preliminary searches have revealed that the complete search efforts needed to fulfill all items of this request cannot be accomplished with reasonable effort due to the volume of apparent responsive records.

To assist the agency to conduct a reasonable search, please provide our office with additional information, including a narrower date range and additional search terms for each item of this request. In addition, in order to identify records that are of genuine interest to you and allow for a reasonable search, we also recommend that you specify recipients for the emails described in items #1, #2, and #3.

At this time, your request has been placed on hold until we receive the information requested. If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Laura Spencer at 770-488-6290.

If we do not receive a response from you by February 12, 2019, we will consider your request withdrawn and it will be closed.

## **Appeal Rights**

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at 770-488-6277 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Deputy Agency Chief FOIA Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, Suite 729H, Washington, D.C. 20201. Please mark both your appeal letter and envelope "FOIA Appeal." **Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted by May 13, 2019.** 

Sincerely,

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